IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY

APPELLATE SIDE

SUO MOTU CONTEMPT PETITION NO.359 OF 2003

In

WRIT PETITION NO.3385 OF 2003

High Court on its own Motion

V/s.

Mrs.Hema Ravishankar & Ors. : Contemnors

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Mr.D.A.Patil, Asstt. Govt. Pleader for the State.

Mr.K.R.Bulchandani, contemnor no.2 present in person.

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CORAM : S.A.BOBDE, J.

DATE : OCTOBER 01, 2007.

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1. This is a suo motu action taken by this Court against the contemnors. The contemnor no.1 is not yet served. Though the Asstt. Govt. Pleader was directed to furnish the address of the respondent no.1, that has not been one as yet. The contemnor no.2 Mr.K.R. Bulchandani appears and states that he does not have the address of the respondent no.1 other than the one which is on record. The learned Asstt. Govt. Pleader is directed to take steps to furnish the address of the contemnor no.1 to this Court, at the earliest.

2. Mr.Bulchandani further submits that from the tenor of the show cause notice issued by this Court, the contempt that is alleged appears to be criminal contempt of the Court and, therefore, it would be appropriate to place this matter before the Division Bench taking up contempt matters.

3. It does appear from the order that there is no allegation that any of the parties have committed a breach of any particular order of this Court. Cognizance has been taken by this Court in view of the letter addressed by the respondent no.1 to the Court as being a communication which scandalises the Court and brings the administration of justice into disrepute.

4. In these circumstances, it would be appropriate to place this matter before the Division Bench taking up contempt matters. Order accordingly.

S.A. BOBDE, J.